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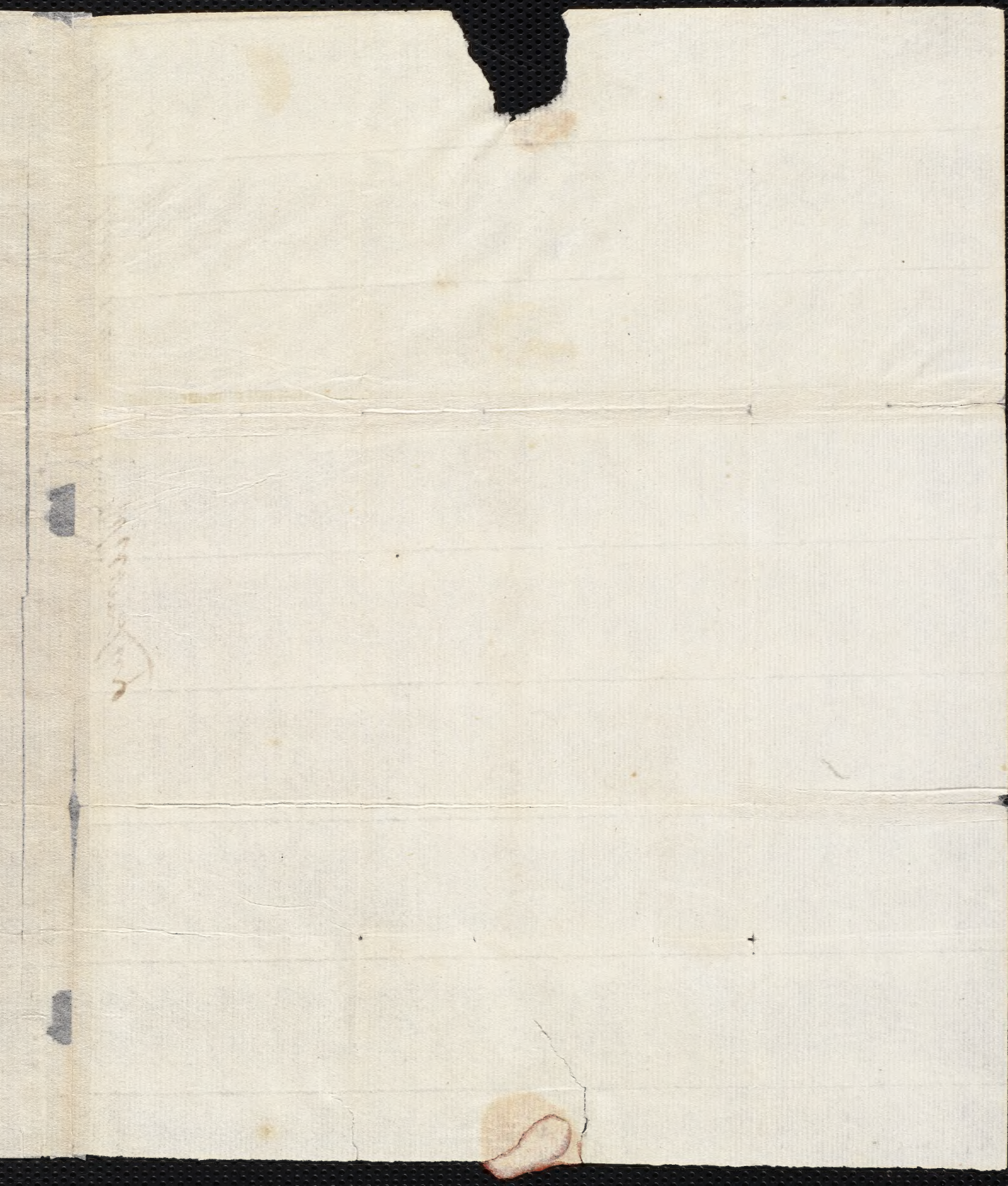
Hon^{ble} Sir

I should not have presumed to have intruded on your time at this important Period, had I not thought Justice required me to commend you of M^r David Hopkins a young Gentleman who is a Native of Rhode Island and went a Volunteer with Gen^l. Arnold in his Memorable March to Quebec; and I believe the only one of that Corps yet unprovided for. This young Gentleman is now a Volunteer in Cap^t Smiths Company of the Maryland Battalion, and I am informed greatly distinguished himself in the late Action on Long Island. On his return from Quebec in May last, & producing Letters from the Generals there, I was told the Congress promised him. & indeed all the Volunteers in that Expedition, to provide for them as Vacancies happen. I therefore humbly Hope that this Promise will be fulfilled to him. I have no Connections with him but a casual acquaintance. I think him a young Man of Merit, & no one can be more attacht to the Liberties of America. His Fortune is slender & he cannot afford to spend the Prime of his Life in the Army for nothing.

I have never been unmindful of your Polite Notice of my Son on his Tour to the Camp at Boston last Summer, for which I shall always think myself indebted, it was therefore an additional Pleasure when I heard the Removal of the Troops ~~had~~ from thence, & your Property left safe. Hope Yourself & Lady both enjoy a good share of Health. May every other Felicity be added to it, is and will be the wish of Hon^{ble} Sir.

Your most obed^t. obliged Serv^t.
Will^m Luce

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